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The Baptist World Alliance, 952-53 school year deed trip to the he state. The new ering in Tollose, Denmark Aughis everywhere in the name of our lard Jesus Christ. In all our delibeations we have been mindful of or common heritage in the Lord and of our continuing mission in is name to the whole world. We ald not glory in our numbers, but we cannot be unmindful-that not fewer than eighteen million people today throughout the world are members of Baptist churches. Several million more cherish those convictions, attitudes, and purposes which by God's good grace have ome to us from the New Testament. With all of these we have teen bound together in a world-ride fellowship. This is all the lord's doing, and it is in Him that we would glory and to Him that we would offer praise . .

To this high purpose, God in Christ has called us all. He has set us in the world for such a time as this. We thank God that we are not working alone; that other men and women of many names also love our Lord in sincerity and in truth and are faithful witnesses to His redeeming grace. But we would be less than true to ourselves and less than faithful to our Lord if we did not recognize His 'divine calling to us to proclaim by life and by word, in faithful witness and in loving ministry, the truth as God has given us to see it. This we shall continue to do . .

We would remind all our people that we labor not in vain in the Lord-that we serve One who is not only all-loving, but all-wise and almighty, and One whose redemptive purpose will prevail. At a time when the hearts of many are failing them in foreboding and in fear, we would call on all Baptists throughout the world to be not fearful but believing, full of faith and hope. Ephesians 1:9-12.

## Is Northernmost Christian Church



GREENLAND—This Chapel is believed to be the Northernmost Christian Church in the world. Standing in front of it, left to right, are two Minneapolis Clergymen, Chapain Knute Lee (Evangelical Lutheran). They serve civilian construction workers engaged in "Operation Bluejay" only a few hundred miles from the North Pole, farther north than men have ever worked before. The midnight sun is reflecting by the cross marking the converted Quonset hut, which is recessed into the ground as a protection against high Arctic winds. Religious News Service Photo.

# **Baptists Note Gains** In Religious Freedom

#### **European Baptists Map Evangelism Crusade**

Copenhagen, Denmark (RNS) A crusade to evangelize Europe was mapped by the European Baptist Congress here. Speakers and leaders indicated that American evangelistic methods would be used in the campaign.

Theme of the Congress, first general meeting of European Baptists since 1913, was "Baptists and the Evangelization of Europe."

An American observer at the Congress said the Baptists were departing from the "defeatist theology prevalent in Europe which emphasizes the futility of human effort" and were espousing an "activist faith."

This was made clear, he said, by two leading speakers, Prof. Johannes Schneider of Germany and Principal N. Engelsen of Norway.

A respect for American evangelistic techniques was apparent among the delegates, the observer

In their crusade, the European (Continued On Page Two)

Gains in religious freedom have been made during the past several decades, according to the findings of a study roup held in connection with the annual meeting of the Baptist World Alliance's execu-

tive committee here. At the same time, the group noted that in recent years "the world has suffered some of the direst assaults on human freedoms known to history."

An important religious liberty gain, the statement said, was the removal of civil disabilities from non-conformists in several nations where Established Churches exist.

"A striking example is to be found in Sweden," it said; "where Baptists have induced the Parliament to remove former restrictions on Roman Catholics as well as on those in the Free Churches."

The statement also listed as a gain "the fact that vast numbers of people around the world have become awakened to the peril to religious freedom." It added that

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#### 1953 Calendar Printed In Current Issue

A 1953 Calendar of Activities is being presented in this week's issue of The Baptist Record.

Since the Calenda is being presented this year several months earlier than usual it is not quite

A complete Calendar will be published however later. In some cases dates were definite but places not determined.

The date of the State Baptist Convention is listed as Nov. 10-12. This is the probable date but is of course tentative and will not be definitely set until the Convention

# Church Membership Hits **New Record High**

bership of 88,673,005 in 252 reli- the Yearbook's editor, said "this is reported in the 1952 Year-book ed for more than 50 years in of American Churches, which will be published here Sept. 15 under have developed in about the same the auspices of the National Coun- relation to one another." cil of Churches.

According to this figure, which is previous year, nearly three out of Catholics number some 29,000,000. every five Americans are members of a church or other religious body -a new high in the history of the

The Yearbook also reveals that church membership, as it has durwith an estimated increase in population of 1.7 per cent. Between through Aug. 31 and any additional 1940 and 1950 church membership increased 34 per cent, population 15 per cent. Church members constitute 58 per cent of the population, compared with 49 per cent in 1940 and 47 per cent in 1930.

trust every association will strive gain of two per cent in 1951. Dr. Benson Y. Landis, an official of the

NEW YORK - A new total mem- | National Council of Churches and gious bodies of this country in 1951 | continued a situation that has existwhich these two religious groups

Numerically, Protestants constitute the largest group in the counan increase of 1,842,515 over the try with 52,000,000 while Roman

(No precise comparison is possible between Protestant and Roman Catholic figures. Most Protestant churches enumerate as members persons who have attained full membership, usually at age 13. ing the past decade, continues to Probably 90 to 95 per cent of Protoutstrip the nation's growth in pop- estant members are over 13 years baptized persons including small children, as members.)

Other statistics in the Yearbook disclose that between 1950 and 1951, the number of local churches rose from 281,511 to 284,592; and church pastors from 166,891 to 181,123.

In reporting an increase of 40,-000 active clergymen since 1940, Dr. Landis observed that, percentagewise, the gain of about 30 per cent has kept pace with the in-(Continued On Page Two)

## Interest Mounting In 'Transfer Week'

By JOE ABRAMS

State Director of Promotion "Transfer Church Membership Week" is catching on among Mississippi Baptist churches and information gathered from over the state indicates that many churches are going all-out in this effort set for Sept. 14-21.

This convention-wide week is the first time that any large scale effort has ever been made to locate and enlist the large number of nonresident church members.

Necessary materials and suggestions for conducting the campaigns have been mailed to all pastors.

These materials included a number of "search" cards as well as detailed suggestions. Currently posters are being made available.

The suggested plan is for the "search" cards to be signed only ulation. Church membership gain- of age. Roman Catholics regard all by non-resident members. Those churches needing additiona are asked to write to this office.

It has been noted that in preparation, many churches are printing the names of their "lost" or nonresident members in their bulletins, asking for information regarding them.

Every church is urged to cooperate in "Transfer Church Membership Week" and this great effort should result in winning many nonresident Southern Baptists back into active membership.

## Three Associations Take Lead In 100% Cooperative Program Giving

By CHESTER L. QUARLES State Executive Secretary

Three associations—George, Warren and New Choctaw-are the first of the 74 associations in the state in Cooperative Program giving.

This means that every church in Cooperative Program this Convenon year so far.

checking the lists, figures were taken for the first nine

months of this Convention year-Nov. 1-July 31.

Figures are now being checked associations that became 100 per become 100 per cent this year cent during that period will be listed in next week's Baptist Record.

At the end of September and at each of those associations has made the end of October, contributions he or more contributions to the will be checked, and additional associations reaching 100 per cent by that time will be announced. We man Catholic, reflected the general

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ed two per cent in 1951 compared

The nation's two largest religious groups, Protestant and Ro-

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# **Durant First Church Has Stewardship** Program Sparked By Biblical Objective

The First Church of Durant has a real growing stewardship program that is largely the result of a worthy scriptural objective- to supply the needs of Christ wherever they are found to cause the individual to grow in Christian living.

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The pastor, Rev. C. M. Day, believes in, preaches and promotes the doctrine of Christian stewardship and the record of the church reveals that his leadership has met with wholehearted response.

The budget of the church this year is \$20,000 with 35 per cent of it going to the Cooperative Program.

In addition, the church goes "down the line." in giving the regular Convention-approved special offerings, making its total gifts to missions approximately half of its total offering.

The church's financial year runs from Oct 1 to Oct. 1, with the month of September given over to special stewardship emphasis.

During the year, Sunday School and Training Union study courses are taught on stewardship and occasionally all-church courses are taught, sometimes using the Bible as a textbook

The deacons of the church serve as a permanent stewardship committee with special committees serving for various phases of the work, seeing to it that every cause is properly financed.

Durant's stewardship program is growing, as one compares this year's budget of \$20,000 with their

#### Three Associations

(Continued From Page One) become 100 per cent.

What a challenge that presents for the next two months-September and October, the final two months of this convention year, when the associations will be holding their annual meetings.

Many more associations should be added to the 100 per cent list during those days.

Surely every church in the convention should make a contribution to the Cooperative Program during the year. Surely many that have given something will want to give more to this life-line of Southern Baptists' world mission program.

Every church should want to me to the Association with a clear record of its stewardship before God and man. Every church should want to have a part in the great program of world missions supported by the Cooperative Pro-

Nearly 1200 of the 1674 churches of the state have blessed and been blessed by giving to the Cooperative Program this year.

With continued cooperation and a renewed emphasis during these last two months, Mississippi Baptists can make this year a banner year for the Cooperative Program and what it represents.



REV. C. M. DAY

budget of \$9,000 in 1945.

The church's finances are handled in an orderly, systematic manner. All regular offerings are handled by the financial secretary and the treasurer.

All special offerings are handled by the Sunday School Superintendent and the Sunday School Treas-

Each Sunday's record of the church's stewardship is published in the church bulletin the following Sunday.

The church has a total membership of 746, with 596 of them resident members.

#### European Baptist Map

(Continued From Page One)
Baptists decided upon the use of radio and large-scale distribution of literature as well as mass ral-

Where governments do not permit Baptists to broadcast, it was agreed, stations should be established across the border where a license can be obtained.

The Congress was told by its president, the Rev. F. Bredahl Petersen of Copenhagen, that there are now 18,000,000 adult Baptists 1951. From 1926 to 1951, there was in the world of whom some - 700, 000 are in Europe. The latter figure does not include the Baptists

The Rev. Henry Cook of London was elected president of the Eueropean Baptist Federation. Dr. Manfredo Ronchi of Rome was named vice-president, and Dr. W. O. Lewis of London, secretary-

Immediately following the Congress, Baptist leaders from all over the world convened at Tollose, Denmark, for a week of study on "The Church" and "Religious Liberty."

\_\_\_BR\_\_\_ "Christmas Treasury Number 3" is a recent publication of the Lorenz Publishing Company, Memphis, Tenn., which contains recitations, exercises, acrostics, drills, plays, tableaux, devotionals, pantomines, and decorating suggestions for primary, junior and senior programs. It costs 40 cents per

#### Church Membership

(Continued From Page One) creased membership enrollment. Nevertheless, he said, there are thousands of vacant pulpits in the country. While seminaries report enrollment at the highest level in many years, he added, it is insufficient to offset both the rapid growth in membership and the backlog of vacancies.

The Yearbook reports 258,877 Sunday schools of all faith, with 30,658,149 members. Eighty-five per cent of this enrollment is Protestant.

The total Sunday school enrollment represents a gain of 900,000 members over the previous year. about equal to the annual gain that has been evident since the Sunday school encollment started a marked upward trend in 1947. Some 2,-998,741 officials and teachers are are required for religious education, the Yearbook revealed.

According to the Yearbook, there are 15 Protestant denominations with a membership of one million or more. The Methodist Church has the largest membership with over 9,000,000. It is followed by the Southern Baptist Convention with 7,373,000 and the National Baptist Convention, U. S. A.. Inc., with 4,467,000. (Editor's Note: The author lumps all Methodists together. Counting northern, southern and negro Baptists, the Baptists are by far the largest.)

Others in the first ten are, in order, the National Baptist Convention of America, the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., United Lutheran Church in America, International Convention of the Disciples of Christ, Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and the American Baptist Convention.

Since 1926 the total membership of Protestant churches increased from 31,511,701 to 52,162,432 in 1951 Comparing figures for 1951 with those of 1926, there was an increased of about 65 per cent.

Protestants were 27 per cent of the total population of continental United States in 1926; 33 per cent in 1950; and 34 per cent in 1951.

The membership of the Roman Catholic Church increased from 18,605,003 persons in 1926 to 28,-634,878 in 1950, and 29,214,580 in an increase of 57 per cent.

Roman Catholics were 16 per cent of the population in 1926; 18 per cent in 1950; and 19 per cent

Commenting on the growth of church membership since 1940, Dr. Landis said:

"There is statistical evidence that the people of the United States turned to the churches in a period of war, international crisis and the atomic age-1940-1950-to a much greater extent than during either the depression years of the 30s or the relatively prosperous years of the 20s.

"Church membership has been rising steadily during the past 100 years. Since 1940 the increase has been remarkably rapid." BR-

Rev. A. B. Pierce, pastor of First Church at Kosciusko, will be the evangelist at the Revival to be conducted at the Crystal Springs Church, Sept. 8-14. Rev. M. D. Mor-In His name we must and will! copy. Order from the publishers. ton is the pastor of the church.

#### **Baptists Note Gains**

(Continued From Page One) they are taking vigorous action to protect this God-given freedom on a denominational national and global scale "

In countries where the seoparation of Church and State prevails the statement continued, "organized efforts are being made to preserve the system inviolate."

The study group lauded the United Nations for adopting a declara tion of human rights 'in which the essentials of religious freedom for all men nave been proclaimed in acceptable terms."

Turning to the "assaults on human freedom," the study group said they were due mainly to two causes: (1) "the rise of a new and powerful form of political totalitarianism which has waged relentless wars upon all freedoms and particularly against religious liberty." and (2) "a fresh aggression of ecclesiastical totalitarianism."

"After a careful survey, country by country, in which the effort was made to ascertain the exact status of people over the globe." the statement said, 'it appears incontrovertibly plain that there are intolerable impositions upon the religious conscience in many many lands and menacing threats to religious liberty in not a few others. Apart from marginal infringements, there are growing major infractions which loudly call for redress."

The statement called upon Baptists everywhere to promote and circulate a religious liberty manifesto adopted by the Baptist World Congress at its 1950 meeting in Cleveland, Ohio. This manifesto urged the universal apolition of religious discrimination.

Meanwhile, the Alliance's executive committee issued an official document emitted "A Message to the Baptists of the World." The message called upon Baptists continually to pray for one another.

"We are painfully aware that situations obtain in the world today which make impossible face to face contact with our brethren in some lands," it said. "No frontiers, however, separate us in the fellowship of the Spirit, and in prayer for one another we can continually renew our oneness

"We would remind all our people that we labor not in vain in the Lord-that we serve One who is not only all-loving but all-wise and almighty, and One whose redemptive purpose will prevail. At a time when the hearts of many are failing them in foreboding and in fear, we would call on all Baptists throughout the world to be not fearful but believing, full faith and hope."

A Christmas payeant for younger children recently published by the Lorenz Publishing Company, Memphis, Tenn., is entitled "The Story and the Tree". Book and lyrics are by Edith Sanford Tillotson with music by Roger C. Wilson. The price is 40 cents per copy. Order from the publishers.

#### GLORIETA SLATES FULL 1953 PROGRAM

GLORIETA, N. .Mex.-(B Glorieta Baptist Assembly will duct a full summer program 1953, according to an annor ment made here in the clos days of the one week neer" encampment. The sche calls for thirteen weeks of cor

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other denominational conference July 20-26-Sunday School ferences.

July 27-August 2-Sunday Sch Conferences.

August 3-9-Church Leaders Conferences (Barnette - Lambe directors)

August 10-16-Training Unio Conferences.

August 17-23-Training Unio Conferences.

August 24-30-Student Retreat. -BR-

San Diego, Calif. (BP)-Mrs. H lis A. Burge, wife of the pastor Balboa Baptist Church, San Dieg passed away at the Paradise V ley Sanitarium, San Diego, Augu 5, following a long illness.





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No Time To Shout But Time To Work

The Drys won a decisive victory in the recent Referendum election. The majority is already well known to our readers. But if anyone failed to get the exact figure, the vote was 140,681 dry, and 80,822 wet.

However decisive the dry victory, let none of us go around shouting about the defeat of the liquor referendum.

It is true that many votes were cast for liquor by people with selfish motives. But many good people voted wet. They were honest in so doing. While we do not agree with them, we do not condemn them. They are entitled to their opinion. Many were disgusted with the lack of enforcement in many areas and honestly felt that the proposed change would be better.

The people of Mississippi have spoken. It is now up to the Legislature to take action that will provide better law enforcement.

As we repeatedly called to the attention of our readers, there was tied in with the referendum a Mandate. The law under which the election was held stated that if the majority voted wet the Legislature was under mandate to set up a system of state liquor control.

BUT if the majority voted dry it should be a MANDATE to the Legislature to provide for better law enforcement.

The Legislature asked for a "straw vote" to govern them in dealing with liquor. They got it. The people said by their ballots, almost two to one, that they wanted the law enforced.

Sixty-seven of the 82 counties said they wanted better enforcement. There are more representatives and senators from those 67 counties than from the 15 counties that voted wet. And those legislators are honor bound to vote for better enforcement laws. In fact, all of them are so honor bound.

If they fail to honor the mandate of their constituents, the voters should keep that in mind at the next election.

Having won the election, even though many thousands of dollars were spent for radio and newspaper advertising by the wets, the drys should not now consider the victory won. All we have won is an election.

Wednesday, Sept. 21.

"Round-up 20, with a great day, Sept. 21.

"That each to make a study and election."

Drys in every town, city and community should keep on working for better law enforcement while waiting for the Legislature to give us better laws.

We made ourselves heard during the recent campaign. Let us now continue to agitate for and demand better enforcement.

During the recent campaign we teld meetings, did some advertis-

ing and used other means of presenting our side. Keep on working.

NOW while the memory of the dry majority is fresh in the minds of our officers, let every person who opposes liquor make his influence felt.

The time to work is now.

#### Seek The Unenlisted

September 14-21 has been so lected as "Transfer Church Men. bership Week."

We urge every Baptist Churcin Mississippi to join enthusiastically in making these days count for God.

The time was selected by the Southern Baptist Convention at its recent meeting in Miami.

For years there has been a growing demand that something be done about the large numbers of Baptists who live here but have their membership there.

Various names have been applied to them. Some of them are: Displaced Baptists, Worthless Baptists, AWOL Baptists, Inactive Baptists, Unenlisted Baptists. But regardless of the name, we need to try to get them to put their membership where they are.

And don't overlook the fact that there are many of them. It is estimated that one out of four Southern Bapfists have their membership elsewhere.

The evangelistic department of the Home Mission Board under the direction of Dr. C. E. Matthews offers the following suggestions:

"A search to locate non-resident Baptists to be made by all churches throughout the Southern Baptist Convention on Sunday, Septencer 7.

"Special cards for this search are being prepared by the Sunday School Board and may be obtained from any Baptist Book Store.

"Special Visitation Day, Sept.

13, with daily visitation throughout the following week as followup on prospects found in the
search.

"Special invitations to all unattached Baptists to transfer their church membership to be given in all churches Sunday, Sept. 14; Wednesday, Sept. 17, and Sunday, Sept. 21.

"Round-up Visitation day, Sept. 20, with a great climax on Sunday, Sept. 21.

"That each pastor . . . be urged to make a study of his own church roll and write to all his non-resident members, urging them to unite with a Baptist church where they now live.

"That, on Sunday, Sept. 7, all the churches . . . engage in a visitation search for unaffiliated and non-resident Baptists, using the information card to be supplied by the state executive secretaries.

"That the information thus obtained be used by the pastors in



writing to the church to which these unaffiliated members belong, requesting the church and pastor to communicate with these people, urging them to unite with the Baptist Church of their choice during 'Transfer Church Membership Week?'

"That the following calendar of activities be adopted and followed by each church in making this program effective:

"(1) A search to locate non-resident Baptists, Sunday, Sept. 7.

"(2) Visitation—to begin Saturday, Sept. 13, and to continue daily throughout the next week, with round-up visitation day Saturday, Sept. 20.

"(3) Reception of members — Sunday, Sept. 14; Wednesday, Sept. 17; Sunday, Sept. 21.

"(4) Prayer and invitation night, Wednesday, Sept. 17.

"(5) Climax Sunday—Sept. 21."
This is a good program. It is a needed program.

Let each church give Transfer Church Membership Week its best. It will help the church, it will help the Baptists involved and will give glory to God.

Any pastor needing more information or material should write Dr. Chester L. Quarles, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

## **Our Readers Write**

BROTHER LAYMAN, DON'T DO THIS!

A few days ago, we heard the oftrepeated expression, "Preachers don't have any business judgment, so the deacons have to keep a check-rein on them." Let us see if this is true. Many preachers run into debt because their members do not have the "business judgment" to add 35% to the pastor's salary for the pastor's overhead expense.

Believe it or not, a pastor does have a heavy overhead expense account. Books, religious periodicals, about three times as many suits of clothes as most of his members, a much heavier gasoline and auto expense, and numerous other items take a big chunk out of his salary.

Recently, a fellow-Pastor wrote and said, "My Church has grown by leaps and bounds, but I must resign because I am not making expenses. The membership is larger, requiring more running for my car, and much more expense to carry on my work!" The members did not nave the "business judgment" to realize this.

Another pastor had to make other arrangements because his members did not have enough "business judgment" to put all their contributions into the local Church rather than supporting a radio preacher. Another pastor was accused of being a poor manager because his members did not have the 'business judgment' to adjust his salary to correspond with the rising cost of living.

Many a pastorium goes to rack and ruin because the membership of the Church do not have the "business judgment" to provide proper maintenance for the property. They think the pastor wants to live too high if he asks for better living quarters. We know one church right now where the work is suffering because the membership do not have the "business judgment" to purchase a few items of equipment to use in their work among young people of the Church.

Brethren, let us not improperly accuse the pastor of "lack of business judgment". Usually, he has more than the average layman, because he has to have. He has to have good business judgment to make ends meet on his prewar salary, educate his children, subscribe to periodicals he needs, buy the books he needs, keep up a nice-looking car instead of a jalopy, and the other items of expense he has, that so many others don't have. It would be an amazing revelation to millions of people if they could live under the minister's roof for awhile. One church was known to set the salary of a full-time pastor, providing for only two items-grocery bill and house rent! It does not "increase the pastor's spirituality' 'to keep his nose to the grindstone. Rather, it wears away his nerves, and ruins his effectiveness just like it will ruin anyone else in any other field of endeavor.

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## Sparks & Splinters

Correct Address: Rev. and Mrs. Gerald Riddell, missionaries to Columbia, are with their boys in the states on leave The three months low, Clinton; Rev. and Mrs. C. B. that they have been in the states Hamlet, III, Buck and Saradel, they have spent traveling. They Winona; Rev. and Mrs. Gerald are now at home at 1810 Lee St., Laurel. Telphone 3739.

Concord church in Choctaw county has just experienced an "old Rev. C. O. Daniels, Summit; Rev. time" reviva, with Rev. Sam Brown Charles Everitt, Merigold; Sandra of Ackerman doing the preaching and Rev. W. E. Palmer, pastor, leading the singing. There were 11 additions, 7 by baptism. Seven young people surrendered for full time Christian service.

Rev. Tom Pfeifer, pastor of the 41st Ave. Church in Meridian, was the evangelist during the recent revival at New Hope Church in Franklin County. There were 16 additions, 11 by baptism. Mrs. Sam Barfoot led the singing. Miss Betty Lou Wroten was pianist. There were also 25 rededications. Rev. Sam Barfoot is pastor.

The Petal-Harvey Church experienced an outstanding revival recently under the leadership of Dr. C E. Wilbanks, State Director of Evangelism, and Rev. Joe Walters, Minister of Music of the First Church, Irving, Texas. There were 27 additions, 16 by baptism. Many others came for rededication, and one young woman surrendered to full-time Christian service. During the meeting a new Sunday school attendance record was made, with 400 being present in Sunday school on the first Sunday of the revival. Rev. Sam Waggener is pastor.

A letter from Rev. George Gay, moderator of the Tippah County Association states that the Tippah Association will meet at the Pall mer Church on September 10 and not on September 4 as was shown in last week's Record. The error was made in the minutes of the association.

Rev. John Oakes, pastor of First Church, Ellisville, was the evangelist and Rev. J. C. Pinson of Mize was the singer in the revival recently at Union Church in Grand Bay, Ala There were 14 additions by baptism and four by letter. Rev. Malcolm B. Rust, formerly of this state, is the pastor.

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Jackson 9, Miss. (E-P) Georgia, Tennessee, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, and Mississippi remain the area greatest concentrated interest in the Bible, the American Bible society has reported. Total distribution in the country rose to 8,002,004 volumes during 1951, an all-time record in the 136-year his tory of the society. The first quarter of 1952 showed gains over last year, it was reported. The society's Southern district topped the million mark in the number of volumes distributed last year and became the first district office to do so. The Pacific district also showed substantial gains, with a rise of 41 per cent over 1950. The society reported that reading of the Bible was increasing. Women were said to be the most avid readers, with children second, and men a poor third.

## 50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR. 50 YEARS AGO\_

Rev. W. A. McComb assisted Pastor H. C. Rosamond of the Winona Baptist Church, resulting in 28 additions, 20 for bap-

40 YEARS AGO-

Pastor Jack Cranford of the Moselle church had Rev. C. C. Jones of Lucedale as his helper in a revival meeting in which 22 new members were added to the church.

Rev. H. W. Provence, returned missionary from China, accepts the call as pastor of the Clinton Baptist Church, to begin September 15.

President J. W. Provine announces that J. M. Chrestman of Belen had given lands in the Delta to be converted into money and applied on a dormitory at Mississippi College, which is to cost not less than \$75,000.

25 YEARS AGO\_

Pastor G. W. Riley reports two good meetings—Rehoboth and Leesburg-of Rankin County. Rev. D. I. Young assisted at Rehoboth, resulting in 7 accessions; Rev. John Measells at Lessburg, resulting in 22 addi-

The Sebastopol Church experienced a great revival during which Pastor A. H. Childress was assisted by Rev. H. T. Mc-Laurin. There were 36 additions, 16 for baptism.

The revival meeting at the Bentonia church closed with two additions by letter. Pastor J. G. Lott was assisted by Rev. Hendon M. Harris.

Rev. Homer H. Webb was the helper in the Zion Hill revival meeting, Rev. J. B. Quin, pastor. The report says, "In spite of rains, high water, bad roads and politics, we had a great revival."

Twenty-eight religious bodies in the United States, with a membership of 34,000,000 have made official statements advising total abstinence or moderation and selfcontrol in the use of alcholic bev-

Rev. Bryce Thompson was the guest speaker at the Spanish Fort Church for the night service on August 24. This was Mr. Thompson's first sermon since surrendering to the ministry. He is a member of the Daniel Memorial Church in Jackson. Rev. Bill Slaymaker is

A Christmas program of song and story recently published by the Lorenz Publishing Company, Memphis, Tennessee is "L i g h t Shone Down". The story and lyrics are by Edna Randolph Worrell with music by Roger C. Wilson. Copies are 40 cents each. This worship program requires one or two readers and a choir of mixed voices. Pageantry is provided and will add greatly to the effectiveness of the program, but the service is complete without it. Order from the publishers.

#### **Lett Leads Williamsburg** In Full-Time Program



REV. P. D. LOTT

Rev. P. D. Lott, pastor of the Williamsburg Church in Covington County, has led that church from half-time to a full-time pro-

During the four months that Mr. Lott has been pastor there have been 30 additions, 18 by baptism: attendance in church has tripled; church signs have been erected; a church bus has been bought, and a Brotherhood and a WMS have been organized.

Rev. B. H. Benton, of Mt. Zion, was the visiting evangelist during their recent revival. There were six additions, five by baptism.

A building program has been launched for complete renovation of the church and for the addition of Sunday school rooms. Improvements to the personage include a new porch, cabinets, and a complete waterworks system.

Path Of The Dawning L (\$1.75) is by Gwynn McLea Day. It contains twenty one h devotional chapters which offer challenge for deeper Christian ing. Out of the author's own fa and deep conviction and her sonal experience in working young people, Mrs. Day has a light on many perplexing proble and given new life and meaning old and familiar words and phr es. These messages call for the who follow the Christ to live about the standards and beyond the hor of the world. Some of the m provocative titles are: "Have Won Your Wings?" "Making Most of Money," "How Big is Yo Bible?", and "Citation in Glor Poetry and prose, story and ser ture are beautifully blended in f book to testify to the truth of G and suggest its meaning for lives and our day. It is publish by the Broadman Press, Nashvil 3, Tennessee. Order from the Ba tist Book Store.

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# Leaders Seek Help in Locating Southern Baptist in the West

M.S. G. Posey, Executive Sec'y. The Southern Baptist General Convention of California

Some of us in the west have been Kansas. tists in only 395 churches and mister the western states, if all of our g long with the fa- sions scattered throughout a popu- people will cooperate. as expression: "Go west, young lation of over eleven million in Calms, and by highways on land help of our fellow Baptists in the who have moved to any of our churches and states of the South- western states to cooperate with

is unthinkable in states like Colo- Week" program, September 14-21, rado, Utah, Nevada, Wyoming and by sending their names and ad-Idaho, Oregon, Washington and

greatly concerned about finding out We rejoice in the enthusiasm with who these Southern Baptists in our which the "Transfer Church Mem-On the western bank of the Mis-on the western bank of the Misin River at New Orleans is are so that we may visit them and launched and promoted throughout ody established many years ago enlist them in our Southern Baptist Southern Baptist territory. It can churches. It is humanly impossible be of tremendous value in our de-Southern Baptists were going for fifty thousand Southern Bap-nominational life and especially in

lifornia alone, even through the meto every Southern Baptist, where-est in great numbers and increasbe every day by railways and air- these Southern Baptists without the Baptist friends and/or loved ones

dresses to the Executive Secretary of the state where they are now living. We also urge evry Southern Baptist pastor throughout Convention territory to encourage the cooperation of every member in this exceedingly important campaign. The name and address of each of the western state secretaries is given her for your convenience and promptness in supplying us with this vital information.

Kansas: Dr. N. J. Westmoreland, 2441/2 North Main, Wichita, Kansas. New Mexico: Dr. Harry P. Stagg, the necessity of confession. Postoffice Box 590, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Arizona, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, and Idaho: Dr. Willis J. Ray, Postoffice Box 590, Phoenix, Ari-

Oregon, Washington, Dr. R. E. Milam, 1432 S.W. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

California: Dr. S. G. Posey, 1405 Broadway, Fresno, California.

Southern Baptist churches in Colorado, Utah, Wyoming and Idaho are affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Arizona, also churches in Eastern and Southern

Churches in Northwestern Nevada are affiliated with the Southern Baptist General Convention of California.

But please do not wait until September to send us this information. though aware that his action might We will appreciate it any time, cause him to be excommunicated, but we need it now to make the entered and attended his first evan-"Transfer Church Membership gelical service. "I don't know how Week" program effective in the it happened," he related. "But the western states.

ing about it, send us the names of me if I played this instrument. I your Southern Baptist acquaint- admitted that I did, and was askances, friends and relatives who ed to play during the young peoare living in the west. We will do ple's fellowship hour that followed." our best to do the rest here in the west for the glory of God.

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ROME -(RNS) -The latest pastoral letter of Pedro Cardinal Seguray Saenz, Archbishop of Seville, in which he called upon the Spanish government to clarify the juridical position of non-Catholies in Spain, has been received with reserve in Vatican circles. Cardinal Segura complained in the letter that his previous warnings of the spread of non-Catholic religions in Spain had not tound much response. "It causes one rea: pain," he said, "to see the tolerance shown towards non - Catholic sects among us and the indifference of the Catholics toward this question and even the sympathy they are displaying for it." Vatican circles, commenting on the letter, said that "today it is necessary to show a certain amount of tolerance in order to avoid conflicts which are always harmful to national interests."

Three Nazarenes, Friad Sakhuini of Gardner-Webb College, N. C., and George and Antionette Lati of Clarke Memorial College, Newton, gave their testimonies at a recent service at Indian Springs Church in Winston County, Rev. Hugh Smith, pastor. The visiting speakers are students at their respective colleges.

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#### ern Baptist Convention. The task the "Transfer Church Membership Former Catholic Student In Rio Baptist Seminary

Before he enrolled in the Baptist Theological Seminary of South Brazil this year, Carlos Alberte Cunha had spent ten years studying for the priesthood. He had entered the Catholic seminary of Garanhuns, Pernambuco, when he was ten years old. Though he describes that school, and the Catholic seminary in Rio where he was later transferred, as a "hard regime," he said he was content with his lot there until he began to doubt

"My first protest against Catholic authority was when I refused to go to confession after committing a 'mortal' sin," said Carlos. "I knew I had sinned, and I was genuinely repentant," he added. "However, I had come to feel that the 'State of Grace' depended upon a right relationship with God rather than upon the confession." He expressed that opinion to a priest and was rebuked for his non-conformist ideas.

Shortly after that, Carlos was refused permission to play an organ that had always been available to the seminary students. Feeling that he was being unjustly discriminated against, he protested vigorously, and then left the campus to "cool off." During that walk he passed a protestant church and, organ was silent that night, and Right now, while you are think- after the service someone asked

Carlos was converted during a youth congress in 1950. He enrolled in the Rio Baptist Seminary in March of this year.

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## BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

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REPORT ON RIDGECREST

Your Brotherhood secretary had the privilege of attending the Brotherhood Conference at Ridgeerest just closed. It was perhaps our greatest conference. Our Brotherhood leadership has adopted its program of emphasis for 1953. Below you will find these objectives listed.

1 Evangelism

1. Personal soul winning.

2. Group Evangelism.

A. Prayer service.

b. Special Revivals. c. Institutional services.

3. Establishing missions.

4. Tract Distribution.

II. Stewardship.

1. Personal consecration-of talents and time through my church.

2. Tithes and offerings-through my church.

3. Dedication of home, business or profession.

4. Participation in stewardship emphasis week in 1953, October, 18-25.

III. Cooperative Program.



REV. AMBROSE C. DUGGAR

Shown above is Rev. Ambrose C. Duggar, of Carrollton, Alabama, who has been elected to serve on the faculty of Clarke Memorial College for the 1952-53 session as head of the Science Department.

Mr. Duggar has a B. S. degree from Alabama Polytechnical Institute; an M. S. degree from the University of Alabama; a Th. M. from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and rather extended studies in the field of voice, violin, and thern College in 1952, and has spent piano. He studied the latter subjects in Birmingham Conservatory. Birmingham; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

He has served as teacher, chaplin, missionary, and preacher. His Land. experience as a missionary was had in Brazil. Due to the serious illness of his wife, he came back away in 1949.

conduct a Simultaneous Stewardship Emphasis Week, Sept. 22-26. Missionary Charles Everitt says efticipate.

1. Study of mission fields and

2. Study of denominational institution and agencies.

3. Study of church and denominational finance.

4. Increased proportion of church receipts through cooperative program.

IV. Boys Work

1. Man and boy movement. 2. Recreation, camps and ban-

3. Cooperative with court authorities.

4. Provide male leadership for boys groups.

Heard At Ridgecrest

1. The church is not a place for the edification of dead saints but it is a work shop for active christians.

2. The purpose of life is to glorify Christ.

3. A Brotherhood is a spiritual nursery for men who have become babes for a second time.

4. God will provide-provided we do our part.



REV. CLEATIS E. BLEVINS

Shown above is Rev. Cleatis E. Blevins, a recent addition to the Clarke Memorial College faculty. He will teach in the English Department.

After graduating from Marion County High School, Jasper, in 1943, Mr. Blevins served in the Navy for two years. He received a B. A. degree from George Peabody College in 1949, and his Master's degree from Mississippi Soutwo years at the New Orleans Theological Seminary.

Mr. Blevins is now pastor of Pleasant Home Church, Jones G County. In the summer of 1951, L he toured Europe and the Holy

Memphis, Tenn.—(BP)—Baptist Memorial Hospital will open soon to the States where she passed a specially designed laboratory where for the first time in the Memphis area diagnostic tests for Bolivar County Association will brain tumors will be made using J. radioactive dye. The laboratory has been approved by the Atomic Energy Commission and arrangeforts are bing made to enlist every ments have been completed for the church in the association to par- purchase of the radioactive material from Oak Ridge.

#### First Church, Greenwood Sends Pastor On Mission **Tour Of South America**

Dr. J. H. Kyzar, pastor of First Church, Greenwood, and Mrs. Kyzar left Jackson Monday, September 1, for a tour of the South American mission fields.

They will return on October 8. The trip is a gift of the First Church, Greenwood. As Mr. Kyzar is the Mississippi member of the Foreign Mission Board, the Church felt that Dr. Kyzar should have first hand information about some of the Foreign Mission work. -BR-

Corbin, Kentucky (BP) - The city of Corbin officially leased a new million dollar hospital to Southeastern Kentucky Baptists on August 22, according to a statement made by E. O. Edwards, pastor of Corbin's First Baptist Church and president of Southeastern Kentucky Baptists, Inc. The building is rented and leased by the Baptists for 25 years with an option for an additional 25 years.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAIN-ING UNION ATTENDANCE

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August 31, 1952

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Newton	451	211
Laurel, West	372	112
Mission	85	
Laurel, Second	384	114
Harpersville	126	84
Pascagoula, First	77	56
Main School	770	286
Jackson Ave. Mission.	367	206
McArthur Mission	15	24
Orange Grove Mission	56	21
Rive View Mission	99	35
Lucedale	21	130
Itta Bena, First	303	111
Brookhaven, First	020	347
Main Church	475	218
Hamilton		69
Southway	50	60
Ruth	90	96
Ruth	100	45
Yazoo City, First	418	160
Ruleville	90	72
Ruleville	78	78
Enterprise	170	100
Purvis, First	180	70
Foxworth	157	73
Houston, First	226	118
Louisville, First4: Louisville, South	38	148
Louisville, West End	35	45
Grenada, Emmanuel	211	82
Laurel, First	151	144
Hattiesburg, Main St 8	155	227
Crystal Springs, First	95	789
Columbus, First 7	39	226
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#### WHAT IS FULL-TIME **RELIGIOUS WORK?**

We hear a great deal about people giving themselves to full-time religious work. Many young people are urged to do this in many of our meetings of various kinds; and many of them respond to these urgings and invitations. All of which is all right, of course.

But, what about the fellow who feels definitely called to do something that is entirely honest and honorable but is not in the class of work that is usually called religious?

Is that work not just as religious for him, if that is what God wants him to do, as the work of the one feels called to do what is usually spoken of as full-time religious work? It certainly seems so to us.

God just as definitely calls people to various other types of work as he does to the religious type. And the man who is called of God to plow if plowing is what God wants him to do, is just as definitely doing full-time religious work as the man who preaches. A farmer, teacher, banker, lawyer, railroad man, newspaper man, highway worker, etc., who is doing what he feels definitely is God's call for his life, and if he is sincerely seeking to serve God in and through his work, is doing full-time religious work as much as the one who is employed full time in some church work.

It is not so much the place where one works as it is what he does in that place. Some people in the various businesses and professions may do more good and make a greater contribution to the cause of Christ than many who are doing full-time religious work.

The main thing is to work where God wants us to work. If we are doing that, and are trying to do it of our associational Sunday School for the glory of God, we are doing full-time religious work, though it may be plowing.

Promotion Day on September 28 is right around the corner. On page 63 of the September issue of The Sunday School Builder can be found a good suggested program for the beginning of the Sunday School hour that day.

#### Church Planning Meetings

Churches that are growing in membership and service plan their work in advance. In many of the associational Sunday School organizations teams will go to churches and give guidance and inspiration for greater work. The church book 9 let, Planning Precedes Progress, sets out goals for the churches to 9 reach. This booklet is in the hands of pastors and associational lead-

To get all the leaders for the Sunday School we need is ever and forever a challenge. With all the means we have employed, we find again and again that we need more workers. It will be good to use all the wise methods possible, humanly possible, but Jesus taught 62 us a great lesson when He said, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest 61 to send laborers into His harvest". It seems a church could wis spend time in calling its people special prayer meetings that G would give guidance in this vit matter. If our churches have n prayed-we might have an answe to why we do not have enough workers.

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It is suggested that the noming ing committee should present a life of names for the associational S. S. officers to the Executive Comm tee of the Association at least month in advance of the annua meeting of the association. Th would give time for seeing person ally all the officers to be nomina ed and to give them opportunity to express themselves about serving This would also give the officers to be nominated time to study their work before their time of service It seems this would give us fir results. So many times people an elected to offices and do not ever know about it. That happens who the election of officers is merely a routine thing on the day the annua associational meeting is held. We believe that much better result will come to all concerned when good bit of thought and prayer is given to the selection and election Workers.

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For some weeks now with the exception of one or two Parkway Training Union has reported the largest Sunday attendance. The summer months, instead of providing a "Summer Slump" have developed a "Summer Hump" July proved to be the best attendance month in the history of the church. The average per Sunday was 461. Mr. W. Earl Clark is the director, Mr. Curtis Beard the educational director and Dr. Norman Price the pastor. These three work hand in hand, feeling that a trained church membership just about solves all the problems of the church. It should also be said that these three work hand in hand with the heads of other departments, makmg the church program a "Familv Affair."

The Training Union has 40 units of organization divided as follows: Three adult departments with 10 unions; a young people's department with 4 unions; Three Intermediate departments with 10 unions; Three Junior departments with 8 unions, three primary, two beginner, and three nursery departments (eighteen departments with forty units). This union is manned with 128 officers and leaders. This includes general and department officers, counselors, leaders. sponsors and adult presidents.

An annual banquet is given the

first of each September. This is on Monday night, the opening night of their annual All Church Study Course. The banquet this year was last Monday night with a full attendance. The banquet hall will accommodate only 350 people. Four things that contribute most perhaps to the continued interest and growth of this training union are A Continuous visitation program. This is made attractive through variety of method; the Annual All Church Study Course launched with a banquet; A regular class that meets every Sunday hight at Training Union hour where the pastor or some one designated teaches the book, "Your Life and Your Church:" and Foreign Mission project that offers an outlet for those who want to do the over and above. Training Union is BIG BUSINESS at Parkway, and we extend our congratulations

SOMETHING NEW FOR NINE-YEAR-OLDS

An orientation course for Junprepared for use in fourth quarter.

WHERE AVAILABLE? The Junior Leader, fourth quarter, 1952 (several pages at back) will carry six lessons written especially for nine-year-olds and their leaders. Each nine - year leader should order at least one extra copy of The Junior Leader to cut up for the Junior's use. Of course, each nine-year-old will be given his copy of the Baptist Junior Union Quarterly.

PURPOSE

These lessons, written on the nine-year-old level, are designed to bridge the gap between the Pri-

PARKWAY LEADS THE STATE | mary and Junior departments. The material is correlated loosely with the units in the Baptist Junior Union Quarterly. It seeks to help the Junior to get acquainted with the new materials, methods, and purposes which he is to use in the Junior union. It makes clear the plan of salvation and some simple things that the Junior will do as a church member.

HOW USE? The nine-year-old is to use the Baptist Junior Union Quarterly for reading the Bible, learning the memory verse, and reading the lesson. The parts in the orientation lessons in the leader's quarterly should be clipped, pasted on a card, and assigned each week (for six weeks) to those Juniors on pro-

Be sure to order at least on e additional copy of The . Junior Leader, Fourth quarter, 1952, for each leader of nine-year-olds.

## A NEW CHURCH AND A NEW

Thanks to Robert L. Brent the new director of the new training union in the new church, Trinity, of Biloxi, for a letter in which he tells us about this new venture for a group of interested people, people who want to grow in the knowledge and in the service of the Master. First thing he asks for copies of the standards that each union may have "A Training Guide" before it to lead them into activities that will give them what they need for best results. Along with the standards went leaflets for the officers to explain to them their opportunities. Congratulations Trinity. Go all out to enlist EVERY member for training. BR-

#### **Antioch Church Shows** Many Improvements

Antioch Church in Rankin county, Rev. C. B. Saucier, pastor, has gone from half-time to full time and many improvements have been made.

An increase has been noted in Sunday School and Training Union attendance. The men painted the auditorium ad the W. M. U. sponsored the sanding of the floors. A power mower has also been purchased.

A revival has been held recently, with the pastor leading the music and Rev. Morrell Lee doing the preaching.

fors who have been promoted from 000 to furnish an infantry division have received eleven dollars in misthe Primary department has been with its basic equipment. Today it sion gifts and capital improvewould cost \$91,000,000.



ALDIE SAUCIER

Aldie Saucier (above) is the fifteen year old son of Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Saucier of the Antioch Church in Rankin county. He surrendered his life to the ministry during the revival held recently at Antioch Church where his father

# **Baptizing Them**

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By DR. C. E. WILBANKS

"Baptizing them" was the first service the New Testament church was to render the new convert. Even as "now is the day of salvation," now is the time for "baptizing them." Before the associational report for the year is closed baptize those who are ready.

"Baptizing them" now will show increase unto the edification of the body, the church, and will glorify Him who is head of the church, as the churches close their annual reports for te associational meetings. Leaye no candidate for baptism unbaptized till next year. This might save your church from a zero record, as having baptized

By not "baptizing them" before the close of the year 1951, Mississippi churches fell below their 1950 record by the shocking number of 1,153. Therein we pulled the total baptisms of the Southern Baptist Convention to a loss of 560 as compared to 1950 baptists.

Remember, 1951 records said that 264 of our churches baptized no one. Now is the time for readers in evangelism, organizers, chairmen, and pastors to search out among the churches every last candidate approved for baptism, who has not been baptized,-and see that he is

For every dollar Southern Baptists have invested in the new work In World War II, it cost \$19,000,- in Washington and Oregon they

## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Providence Is In

Rev. F. A. Lummus of Weir recently led the Providence Church of Choctaw County in a revival meeting. The church is now pastorless. Pastor Lummus wrote as follows: "Realizing that the Baptist Record would be a mighty good assistant pastor until and even after they secured a pastor, I got the Providence Church to take the Baptist Record. I failed to get the entire membership by five or six.

The Baptist Record only wishes that every pastor who holds a revival meeting would show the same interest that Pastor Lummus

Record readers in Choctaw county now listed are as follows: ACK-ERMAN 91; Bethany 14; Bethlehem 7; BEULAH 26; Bl y t h e Creek 17; Chester 14; Covenant 19; Clear Springs 11; CONCORD 47; Fellowship 3; Fentress 1; French Camp 8; McCurtains Creek 14; MT. MORIAH 20; MT. PISGAH 27; NEW ZION 41; PROVIDENCE 23; Weir 2; and Bogue Chitto (Indian)

\_\_\_BR\_\_\_ **New Church Adopts** EF Plan

It is said that a good beginning means a good ending. If that is true, Cloverdale Church in Adams County has bright prospects.

This newly organized church is starting out with the Baptist Record as a part of its program. Recently Mrs. J. L. Johnson, church clerk, sent a list of names and instructed that the Baptist Record be sent to the members of the Cloverdale Church.

Record readers in Adams county now are listed as follows:

IMMANUEL 159; NATCHEZ FIRST 477; NATCHEZ, WEST SIDE 175; CRANFIELD 26; CLO-VERDALE 24; WASHINGTON 53; and SPRING FIELD CHAPEL 23.

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#### Free Trial Plan Convinces Bethel

It took only a few weeks to convince Bethel Church, Lafayette county, that the Baptist Record is a good thing. Recently under the leadership of Pastor Earl Floyd, who has since entered Mississippi College, the church decided to try the Free Trial Plan for a few weeks. When the time was up, the church felt that the Baptist Record was worth more than the small cost of 8 1-3 cents per family per month, and instructed that the list be continued on the Every Family Plan.

Lafayette County Record readers are now listed as follows:

Bay Springs, 8; Abbeville, 8; ANCHOR, 21; BETHEL, 17; CLEAR CREEK 51; DELAY, 22; New Hope, 18; NEW PROSPECT, 65; OXFORD, 71; Paris 1; SHILOH 29; Taylor, 19; TULA, 43; UN-ION WEST, 32 PHILADELPHIA, 38; NORTH OXFORD, 92.





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DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON

Appearing by special request for the second straight year on our State Baptist Student Convention program is Dr. R. Lofton Hudson, pastor of the Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo. The Convention is to be held in the Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, with Belhaven as host college, Oct. 31-Nov. 2.

Dr. Hudson holds the B. S. and Ph. D. degrees from George Peabody College, the Th. B. from Southern Baptist Seminary, and ti M. A. from Vanderbilt University, and is the author of The Religion Of A Sound Mind and The Religion Of A Mature Person. He has taken summer courses at Yale University the University of Denver and the Topeka (Kan.) State Hospital, and before going to his present pastorate was pastor of First Church, Portland, Tenn.; Northside, Chattanooga, and First Church, Shawnee, Okla. Dr. Hudson's special intellectual interests are psychology, sociology and religion. He is recognized as one of Southern Baptists' outstanding counselorpastors. He says he plays a little golf, but that most of his golf time is spent in bragging about his famous cousin, Byron Nelson.

State Pre-School Retreat

Our State Pre-School Retreat held at Clarke College, Aug. 21-23 and attended by thirty-one key BSUers from over the state, was the most fruitful we've had. Aside from the very excellent messages from Exec. Sec'y, Chester Quarles and Brotherhood Sec'y. W. R. Roberts, nearly all the program was taken up by the presentation of the present, and the work will be September 14-Mrs. B. B. Magee, six Study Groups started at the Ridgecrest Student Retreat. (See the Sept. Miscellany for more details). Student Sec'y. Louie Farmer, Jr., of Clarke College, besides doing an unusually fine job of entertaining, led the "Philosophy of BSU" and "Statewide Meetings" study groups. Ole Miss BSU sec'y Marian Leavell led the study of "The Student Secretaries' Role in Mississippi BSU"; Roy Isbell, BSU sec'y for Miss. State, "The State Council and Constitution"; Riley Munday, BSU sec'y for Miss. Southern, "Public Relations," and the State Sec'y, "State Budget."

We feel that the fruits of this Retreat will mean a greater BSU program in Miss. than we've ever had

Parkway Kindergarten Begins Second Year

The Parkway Church in Jackson begins its second session Septemer 8, with registration on September 3 between nine and five.

The school will operate under standard requirements with Mrs. Lake Colson as director.

The school has increased facilities for a larger enrolment this year and a sufficient number of well-trained and experienced staff members have been secured.

#### -BR-McGee Has Busy Summer

Rev. B. B. McGee, pastor of the Meridian Church in Calhoun county did the preaching in that church during their recent revival. There were two professions of faith. The foundation has been laid for the new church building.

Rev. J. P. Brewer, pastor of North Oxford Church, did the preaching during the Taylor revival which resulted in 14 additions, 10 by baptism. The financial record is the best in the history of the church according to Pastor McGee.

Rev. J. C. Monroe, pastor of the First Church, Pontotoc, was the visiting evangelist at the Abbeville Church, Mr. McGee, pastor, during their revival. There were 34 additions, 28 by baptism. In the group coming by baptism were four husbands and wives and one family consisting of four.

-BR-

Goodwater Church in Lauderdale County recently had Rev. A. Estus Mason, pastor of the Southside Church in Meridian, as evangelist during their revival. C. E. "Buck" Jackson was the song leader. There was one addition by baptism. Rev. J. B. Costilow is pastor. -BR-

The Washington-Oregon Convention has grown from an association in California of seven churches in 1947 to fully organized work with nine associations, 51 churches, and 20 missions. Numerous other mission stations are in the making at greatly expanded in September when several other mission pastors arrive from several states.

#### Wilbanks To Address **Delta Pastors Conference**

The Delta Pastors Conference will hold its regular monthly meeting Monday September 8, at the First Church in Cleveland.

Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, of Jackson, State Director of Evangelism, will be the principal speaker. Annual election of officers will be held and the devotional will be given by Dr R. A. Tullos, pastor of Calvary Church in Greenwood.

Attention will also be given to plans for a Delta-wide Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign in the spring.

The meeting will be presided over by Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr., president, and pastor of the church at

#### BR-Hear The Rantiet Hour

Dr. J. D. Grey will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour program, September 7.

Mississippians can tune in on the following stations carrying the Bap-

WJMB, Brookhaven, 1:30 p. m.; WCLD, Cleveland, 6 p. m.; WACR, Columbus. 2:30 p. m.; WJPR, Greenville, 6 p. m.; WFOR, Hattiesburg, 10:15 p. m.; WLAU, Laurel, 8 a. m.; WMBU, Macon, 2:30 p. m.; WAPF, McComb, 9 a. m.; WCOC, Meridian, 3:30 p. m.; WNAT, Natchez, 7:15 a. m.; WRJW Picayune; WHBJ, Memphis 9:00 p. m., WRBG Carrolton, Ala. 2

\_\_\_BR\_\_ CALENDAR OF PRAYER September 8-BSU Join-the-Church at College; Robert Roberts,

Simpson Associational Brotherhood President.

September 9-V. O. Powell, Madison Associational Sunday School Superintendent; J. V. Carlisle, farm-manager, Baptist Orphan-

September10-George Scherer, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Rev. R. A. Morris, college pastor, Clarke College.

September 11-Rex R. Pearce, faculty, Mississippi College; Betty Jo Flowers, state BSU social chairman.

September 12-Mrs. Lula H. Nor-WMÜ Superintendent; Harmon Robinson, Clay Associational Training Union director.

September 13-J. B. Miskelly Board Member from Benton Association; Sgt. A. F. Scarbrough, Lowndes Associational Training Union Director.

perintendent; Miss Florence Lambert, staff, Woman's College.

# Woman's Missionary

President—Miss Almarine Brown, Jackson; Executive Secretary—Miss Edwina Robinson Young People's Secretary—Miss Nell Taylor; Royal Ambassador Secretary—Joel Ray

#### WHITE CROSS SUPPLIES

It was almost like Christmas in the W. M. U. Office-more than 200 packages to open! They were the lovely White Cross supplies that the various organizations over the state sent to go to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. Thanks to the generosity of Mr. Leo McGehee of the Mississippi Moving and Storage Company in Jackson, we had a sturdy LARGE wooden box 18 ft. by 516 ft. by 416 ft.) in which to back the sunnlies. Mr. McGehee had us bring the things to the storage company, he gave us a helper and also beloed us himself and soon that box was nacked! Of course some of the things had to he bought here in Jackson - in or der to meet the needs set forthhowever that was well cared for in the cash offerings that came -\$2.601.56 (and it is still coming) We used \$521.89 of that to buy some of the larger items such as blankets, pads spreads, etc. and we used \$505.03 of it to buy instruments and other designated supplies-we are waiting instructions from the Hospital about other equipment.

A recent letter from Dr. J. T. McRae (Mississippian serving in the hospital there says they are looking forward to receiving the box You will remember that David McRae developed polio as the family was enroute from Lebanon to Jordan. In a letter received last week Dr. McRae said "David is improving right along but he is nearing a plateau and will be left with weakness of several important muscles of his right leg. We are happy to remain together a family however. Please continue to pray for him."



McRae Family

Reading from left to right David. Betty, Billy (Twins born since arrival in Lebanon); Robert and

In addition to Dr. McRae at the hospital Dr. Loren Brown is the superintendent and the Calloway's serve as the evangelists there. White Cross Supplies Received For Gilead Mission Hospital, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

173 sheets; 5 white spreads; 16 draw sheets; 684 towels, 1305 wash cloths, 59 mattress pads, 30 erib sheets, 102 receiving blankets. 28 cotton outing blankets, 277 pillow cases, 15 yds. ticking, 5000 applicator sticks, 75 yds. Mosquito netting, 368 diapers, and 20 blankets. -BR-

Among the recent visitors to the Baptist Building include a delegation from the Brewer Church at Richton enroute to Garaywa for the WMU Camp. They were: Dr. Judson Chastain, pastor, Mrs. Judson Chastain, Mrs. Edward Elliott, Mrs. Charles Holcomb, Mrs. Troy Rich, Mrs. Marlin Rich, Mrs. Willys Sanderson, Mrs. J. C. Smith, Mrs. Leonard Smith, Mrs. Murdock Smith, Mrs. Carl E. Walley, and Mrs. Clarence Elkins. They also visited the Baptist Book Store, First Church, the Capitol, Baptist Hospital, Baptist Orphanage and Mississippi College at Clinton.

## - MUSIC DEPARTMENT -

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

GROWING A MUSICAL CHURCH

Each church will want to hold a study course during the m o n t h teaching the book, "Growing a Musical Church", by Mrs. Ruth Nininger, secretary of music, Arkansas. ris; Sunflower Associational A survey of methods for growing a musical church is offered in this book. It is worth mentioning that the suggestions and outlines to be discussed are the results of successful experimentation in at least five states of the Southern Baptist Convention where such work has been carried on for several years.

This book is one of a series in Calhoun Associational WMU Su- the church music curriculum developed by the Department of Church Music of the Baptist Sunday School Board to enlarge the music ministry of the churches throughout the Convention.

September is Church Music Month

By Novella Preston Since the time when David the master musician and sweet singer in Israel organized his choir of singers and musicians (1. Chron. 15:16), music has been an integral part in the worship services of the true and living God.

Southern Baptists, recognizing the importance of good music rededications. Many family altars in worship, education, and evange- were set up.

lism, have designated September as the month in which to magnify the ministry of music and to begin a definite program of church music education that will last throughout

Now is the time to organize graded choirs, conduct a school of church music, and to schedule and prepare special musical programs. Now is the time to take a Church Music Survey to discover musical talent which should be encouraged and utilized in Kingdom service.

Magnify music from the pulpit through every department of the church during the month of

September. Churches desiring free pamphlets and helps on developing a compre hensive church music education program may receive them b writing to the Department of Church Music, Baptist S u n d a f School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Rev. Jimmy Threlfal was th evangelist at the recent revival held at Second Church in Tupelo, Rev. Don Reed, pastor. There were 48 additions, 38 by baptism, and 25

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# Miss. College Sees **Record Enrollment**

A year of maximum usefulness in prospect at Mississipi College with the opening of the fall session on September 8, for a near record number of students are expected to attend. Housing facilities at the college are almost full, according to Dr. D. M. Nelson, with the usual high number of daily commuters expected to swell the total.

Repairs and additions to college facilities have kept maintenance crews busy all summer, with rooms being added in Chrestman Hall, largest men's dormitory, as well as preparation of a number of apartments for married students on the Hillman campus.

Mrs. Grace M. Elsey, Dean of Women, reports a total of 292 women students with room reservations already; total capacity of the three residence halls for women is 300. Facilities for the men are just as full, according to reeducation to a large number of young people.

nights, and classes will begin quire hours of research. Thursday at 7:50 a.m.

## **Social Service Commission** To Relocate In Nashville, Tenn.

Southern Baptist Social Service of 13,000 will be put on a subscrip-Commission will move its national tion basis and issued bi-monthly. headquarters from Louisville, Kentucky, to Nashville, Tennessee, just follows: The Social Service Comas soon as space can be found in mission shall seek to promote morthe Baptist Sunday School Board ality in social relations, including office buildings. The move was the problems of marriage and the voted by the Commission at its family, crime and juvenile delinannual meeting here in August. quency, industrial relations, race Final arrangements are expected to be completed before the end of

The Commission also voted to set up a publication schedule for a new series of tracts and study pamphlets. The Commission maga-

RIDGECREST, N. C. (BP)-The | zine, Light, which now has a list

relations, the alcohol problem, and other matters of social morality which press upon our people for a

Dr. J. B. Witherspoon, Louisville, Kentucky, is chairman of the Com-

In His Study

Recently some rriends with us in a pastor's home. When situation. There his prayers ascend we knocked at the door the good wife informed us that the preacher was "In His Study." Like a flash I was struck with the thought that this explains why his people love ports, and the year seems to be him. He is in his study preparing a good one for bringing Christian for the period on the next Lord's Day or Wednesday evening when he will stand before them. Not all The fall session will begin Sept. 8 the reading and study of a pastor at 8 a.m. After the welcoming addresses of Dr. Nelson and Student sage, for the preacher is always a training and all their advanced Body President Frank Crawford of learner. The problems which he study comes when he is "in his New Hebron, new students will be- meets upon the field send him into gin a series of guidance tests, fol- his study searching for answers: lowed by registration at 2 p. m. his interpretation of life and scrip-Tuesday, Group recreation is plan- ture demand wide and varied read- or preacher who is "in his study." sed for both Monday and Tuesday ing, while his messages often re-

his problems and pours out his heart to God asking for guidance visited as he approaches some delicate on behalf of his folk with a sympathetic heart. There, in his study he is empowered and emboldened to stand alone and dare speak for God while all about him the people misunderstand.

In his study is the place for imstudy, a systematic plan to streng- Some advantages are evident. then his grasp wherein it is weak.

The Seminary Extension Department can offer help to that pastor he reads. In his study! There he confronts tended to give him proper train-sippi for further information.

very time the Communist government of China was trying to convince the world and its own people that the Americans were guilty of deliberately spreading disease among Chinese troops by dropping Its purpose has been defined as disease germ bombs, Chinese newspapers published stories of corruption in China's service of supply which resulted in the shipping and selling of spoiled beef to the army in Korea. Also, a chemistry professor was reported to have connived with a merchant in the sale suprosedly medicated cotton to the army, but in making the packs they used old, unsterilized cotton, filled with disease germs. Newspapers carrying these accounts have come out of Red China to Hong Kong. As a result, it is expected that the Chinese government will take steps to stop news releases from reaching Hong Kong and other places outside of Red China. Such leaks of information will be carefully controlled and screened in the future.

ing. Such studies as Old and New Testament, Church Leadership, sult, the natural, the inevitable out-Preaching and Evangelism will come of great, deep, genuine, self provement. He needs a course of greatly benefit him as he prepares.

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Hong Kong, China (E-P) At the OAK GROVE REVIVAL ANNOUNCED SEPTEMBER 21-28

> According to Rev. Elton Moore, pastor, Oak Grove Church at Bonita will hold their fall revival September 21-28.

> Rev. E. C. Edwards of McComb will be the evangelist and Wallace Merrill of Meridian will be in charge of the music.

The revival is being sponsored by the Brotherhood.

Mr. Edwards will be the radio devotional speaker during the week. Cottage prayer meetings will be held the week preceding the

"We go Fishing With Him", by Rev. T. C. Hathorne, pastor of the First Church, Gunnison, Colorado, is a book on soul winning. This book clears out all the debris, the trash, the religious bulk and piffle, the purely carnal, fleshly and wordly devices that are employed today and called soul-winning. This book sets soul-winning as the rediscipline. The author sets out a very hopeful and constructive criticism of the multitudinous splinter movements and highly sensationalized programs that alluringly bid for the support of the superficial, unstable, unsettled, though earnest persons. This reviewer baptized the author 21 years ago at Bunker Hill Church, Marion County. The sent to the author-A. D. Muse.

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# Calendar Of Activities For 1953

#### JANUARY

5- 9—Sunday School Bible Study Week
5- 9—Leadership Conference and Brotherhood Rallies
11—B.S.U. Life Comitment Day
11-18—B.S.U. Volunteer Service Week
18—B.S.U. Summer Service Enlistment Day
19-23—Leadership Conferences and Brotherhood Rallies
18-23—W.M.S. Focus Week
19—Third Term begins at Clarke College
19-21—State Vacation Bible School Clinic
27-29—State Evangelistic Conference, First Church, Jackson.
27—Third Term at Mississippi College begins
27—Second Semester at Mississippi Woman's College begins

#### **FEBRUARY**

2- 6—Leadership Conference and Brotherhood Raliles
8-15—B.S.U. Dedicated Vocations Week
8-14—Y.W.A. Focus Week
14-15—Annual Y.W.A. Houseparty at Mississippi Woman's College
16-18—Religious Education Association Meeting
16-19—Associational Missionaries Institute, Blue Mountain
23—State Planning Meeting for Associational Music Directors and Missionaries

#### MARCH

1-31—Training Union All Church Study Course—Stewardship Emphasis
1-31—B.S.U. Summer Service Enlistment
2-6—W.M.U. Week of Prayer for Home Missions
10—Regional Sunday School Convention, Calvary, Tupelo
11—Regional Sunday School Convention, First Church, Meredian
12—Regional Sunday School Convention, First Churches, Gulfport and Biloxi
23—Home and Foreign Missions Day in the Sunday School
30—Fourth Term begins at Clarke College
March 30-April 24—District Sunday School Conferences
March 31-April 2—W.M.U. Convention.

#### APRIL

1—Fourth Term begins at Mississippi College 5-12—Training Union Fourth Week in Churches 17-18—State Retreat for B.S.U. Officers, Miss.-Woman's College April 13-May 17—District Music Festivals

3-10—Christian Home Week
4—W.M.U. Special Day
6-10—Southern Baptist Convention, Houston, Texas
10—Mother's Day Hospital Offering
10-16—G.A. Focus Week
18-20—Western Rural Life Leadership Conference, Fort Worth, Texas
24-25—Commencement Exercises, Mississippi Woman's College
25-30—All State Junior R.A. Camp, Garaywa
27-28 Commencement Exercises, Clarke College
May 31-June 1—Commercement Exercises, Mississippi College

#### JUNE

1- 6—Junior R.A. Camp, Garaywa 8—New Class, School of Nursing, Baptist Hospital 8-13—All State Int. R. A. Camp, Garaywa 10-17—Southwide B.S.U. Retreat, Ridgecrest 8-26—District Training Union Conventions 12—State Music Leaders Laboratory 15-20—Junior R.A. Camp, Garaywa

13-20—Junior R.A. Camp, Garaywa 22-27—Junior R.A. Camp, Garaywa 22-26—Brotherhood Conference at Glorieta 28—Southwide Christian Education Day 19-July 3—State Pastors and Brotherhood Assembly, Garaywa

#### JULY

6-10-Training Union Assembly, Garaywa

9-29-Training Union Assemblies, Ridgecrest

10-12-Y.W.A. Camp, Garaywa

12-August 14-Special Summer T.U. Program for Rural Churches

15-22-Baptist Youth World Conference, Rio de Janerio, Brazil

13-18-Int. G.A. Camp, Garaywa

20-25-Int. G.A. Camp, Garaywa 27-August 1-Junior G.A. Camp, Garaywa

3-7-State Music Leadership School, Mississippi College

3-8-Junior G.A. Camp, Garaywa

9-15-Sunbeam Focus Week

10-15-Junior G.A. Camp, Garaywa

10-24—Glorieta Training Union Assemblies

17-22-Junior G.A. Camp, Garaywa

13-19-Brotherhood Conference, Ridgecrest 24-26-W.M.S. Camp, Garaywa

24-30-B.S.U. Week, Glorieta

## SEPTEMBER

**AUGUST** 

1-31-Training Union Methods Study Courses

7-New Class, School of Nursing, Baptist Hospital

14-16-W.M.U. Week of Prayer for State Missions

## OCTOBER

11-Layman's Day

18-25—Christian Stewardship Week

25-State Mission Day in Sunday School

October 30-November 1-State B.S.U. Convention, Calvary Church, Jackson

#### NOVEMBER

1-7-R.A. Focus Week

9-State Brotherhood Convention

10-12-State Baptist Convention, First Church, Jackson

20-Associational T.U. Officers Planning Meeting

22-Orphanage Day in Sunday Schools

27-State Music Festival

#### DECEMBER

November 30-December 4-W.M.U. Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions

7-Southwide Simultaneous Associational T.U. Meetings

27-Students Night at Christmas in local churches

29-State Training Union Convention

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# Sunday School Lesson

Thursday, September 4, 1952

Prepared by Dr. L. Bracey Campbell Lesson for September 7 HUMBLE AND GRATEFUL LEADER

II Samuel 11-24

I. Another Glance at the Man We have been concerned - with pavid for sometime now. He was pist, athlete, poet, warrior, statesprophet of the Almighty, that he

spoke and worked and sang for God, and in his singing foretold the coming of one who was to be both David's son and David's Lord.

David became king at a period when the children of Israel were an inharmonious union, loosely held together, of twelve cantankerous tribes, among which there were tribal jealousies and deep-seated rivalries. By his genius as an organizer, David bound them into a unity with one purpose and one national pride. This he was able to do because of his conception of the character of union within which the Israelites could live in a greater state of happiness and to the great-

First, he regarded his people as God's people and God as being the people's God. David's kingdom was God's kingdom over which God much bear rule if the people were in any wise to prosper. And this was not merely intellectual conception, a thing to be believed, merely, but a religion to be lived. "But to live, every day to live out all the dream that he dreamt, while his friends met his conduct with scorn, and the world with contempt", that was David's aim. He could hold this ideal all the more firmly because his great soul was aware of the presence of God with him and the claims of God on his life.

#### II. His Sin and Its Dreadful Consequences

Who said, "There is not a righteous man on the earth, that doeth good and sinneth not"? At one point at least in David's life, we find him committing a heinous sin. It is no defense of him to say that. in taking another man's wife, he did only what anyone of his neighbor kings might have done with impunity. Did not his majesty (?) cally the same thing but a few woman, the betrothed of another him of his throne, but it was not because he took the sweetheart of kings have done that sort of thing the scourge of unholy desire for

sin was against God, as all sins are. Let it be understood that, first of all, a sin, my sin, your sin, anybody's sin is against God. Sin is a slap in the face of God, an act in direct contravention of the will and wish of a pure God.

Let us get another fact as to sin clear right now. There is no such thing as an escape from the consequences of sin. Every act of sin has its appropriate penalty, and that penalty must be paid, by someone, sometime, somewhere. Write that down, now. If there is a versatile genius: shepherd, har- one terrible thing I know and know that I know it, is that I must pay, man, devout follower of God. And have paid, am paying the penalty let us not forget that he was also a of my sins, even though the final penalty has been paid by my substitute. So was David's. Oh, he went to heaven, yes! But see what he paid on earth! "The sword shall not depart from thy house forever," said Nathan, and his word came true with awful consequences. Notice only the incident of Absalom's rebellion, defeat, and his death.

#### III. Spiritual Consequences of His **Sufferint**

There are people who refuse to submit to discipline. There are men whom you cannot persuade to confine themselves to any sort of limits. They are just rebels against every sort of regulation. The members of this class will not begin to submit to God under any circumstances at all. And there are other people who want their religion to be a matter of bargaining with God, always with the idea of getting the better of the bargain. Do addition, he was the featured speaknot mind working for God for the er at the inauguration of Dr. G. E. highest pay and that with overtime. Somebody called such Christians fair weather Christians, that is as long as there are no clouds of trouble in the sky, as long as their erops are the best and the prices for their products are high, they go to church and "take a leading party"; but once let adversity strike, and they immediately get away off. Of still another sort are those people who run to the Lord and to the people of the Lord when their own sins have got them into trouble with the powers that be here on earth. I occasionally remember cases of people who came running to the house of God because they were in danger of getting caught in some low crime or gross sin. And for just so long as a threat of the law lowered above them, they just laid themselves out in service of the church, and appeared to be enjoying fellowship among the very elect; but remove King Farouk of Egypt do practi- the danger of serious trouble with the officers of the law, or trouble months ago? Saw a fair young of any other sort of which they the subject of his University of may be in danger, and there is an an, and by the exercise of his immediate cooling of the spiritual despotic power took her for his ardor, and a cessation of atten- reap by leaning upon God in the own? His people lately deprived dance at church and a seeking of darksome hours. This David did

the old crooked paths. another man for his wife. Oriental of people who, as we all do sooner tighter to God's hand, or rather, he or later, meet trouble. That is the vielded his own hand to the grasp since long before David fell under class of people who, when they of the hand of God. When through meet anyone of the manifold forms | fiery trials God caused him to walk the pretty wife of another man. of trouble that flesh is heir to, look he went with such unflatering trust But David was God's man, and up through the clouds of sorrow to that he came from the trial always God demanded better conduct than God. I believe with all my heart a finer and more faithful man. that from His chosen man. But Da- that no experience can possibly Pressed by the sorrow brought him vid sinned and, being brought by come to a Christian so sore that he by the death of his baby son, he God's prophet face to face with the cannot profit through that experifact that he had sinned, at once ence. I believe and know that this hope than any the earth had to ofwas smitten with contrition, realizing is true, but, to my shame I confer him, and looking above all the ing that, though he had wronged fess, that I do not always avail clouds to the light of the upper



Above are pictured those children and teachers who attended the Vacation Bible School recently held at Elim Church in Clarke County. The church was organized in 1838 and in 1948 this beautiful modern brick building was built. In less than a year from the time the old building was torn down the new building was dedicated, debt free. Rev. J. S. Nobles, Jr., was pastor when the church was built. Rev. E. C. Wells is the present pastor.

#### Miss. College Faculty **Members Spend Summer Doing Graduate Work**

Faculty members at Mississippi College have worked earnestly and diligently this summer to increase their abilities and usefulness as teachers in the field of Christian education level, many of them even going beyond the Ph D. degree in an effort to become better equipped to serve Mississippi's Baptist students.

Dr. D. M. Nelson, served in the pulpits of several churches. In Guinn as Louisiana College Presi-

Concerning further study, several teachers have neared the end of their efforts toward the Ph D. degree. Among them, Professor James Herring studied at L. S. U.; E. N. Elsey spent the summer in music studies at Peabody; Dr. H. A Carlock worked toward his dissertation at Ohio State University. Charles Tolbert, B. S. U. Secretary, completed mitial work on his thesis for the M. A. degree at the University of North Carolina.

Among the Ph D.'s on the M. C. faculty, Dr. Guy C. Mitchell did research at Duke University, and Dr. L. Bracey Campbell did additional work in philosphy at Boston University.

Possibly the most unusual period of study was undertaken by Professor P. I. Lipsey, Jr., who did research in Mexico concerning the arae and circumstances of the Mexican War treaty, which was Alabama Master's thesis. Others

when sorrow came to him. When There is another and fine class the way was dark, he held the both Uriah and Uriah's wife, his myself of the profit I might easily day, he said, "I shall go to him".

doing graduate study included: Miss Frances Skulley, University of Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Todd, University of Southern California; Mrs. Ersle B. Boyd, University of Alabama; Miss Ethel Hickman, Tulane; and Professor R. R. Pearce, University of Color-

Rev. Frank Roblin, paster of the Rienzi Church, did the preaching at the revival recently held at Tuscumbia Church in Alcorn County. There were six additions, five by baptism. Pastor Roblin's daughter, Mary, was the pianist.

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1,165 REGISTERED RIDGECREST | medical attention. One man trav-FOREIGN MISSIONS CONFERENCE

One hundred twenty-five foreign missionaries were among the 1,165 people who registered for the 1952 Foreign Missions Conference at Ridgecrest.

Many people expressed belief that this year's conference was the most outstanding in spiritual attainments. These experiences began with the first service when Dr. Boyd H. Hunt, pastor, First Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, challenged each person present to become a channel through which God's plan for the world might go onward.

They continued through the final service when Dr. M. Ray McKay, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary professor, called the group to a practical dedication to the work at hand by saying: "The genius of the Christian religion lies in the fact that although we may not know what the future holds we do know what we are to do at this moment."

Forty-eight young people publicly dedicated their lives to foreign mission service during the week; 11 others walked forward to say their lives would be given in some kind of full-time Christian work.

Many attendants expressed concern that there was a single vacant place on the assembly grounds during this week of conferences designed to present the work of Southern Baptist foreign missionaries and the needs of the world.

One denominational leader has presented the idea of working toward an attendance of 500 pastors and 2,000 young people with the hope that it will be reached by the 1954 Foreign Missions Conference. If this goal is accomplished, denomination leaders, pastors, families, and others will have to catch the vision and find practical ways to its realization.

Around The World

Paraguay: The two Baptist churches of Ascunsion have 15 mission stations in the city and in surrounding villages and towns.

Guided Nueva Baptist Church,, Ascunsion, has a membership of one hundred and almost without exception they are actively engaged in proclaiming the gospel.

The Baptist Bible Institute of Ascunsion, designed to offer Bible courses and specialized training for national workers unable to secure further training outside thecity, has an enrolment of 30. The school offers a three-year course in the fields of Old and New Testament, preaching, religious education, evangelism, theology, doctrine, history, and music. Classes meet in the Baptist center which houses ten of the young men, Baptist headquarters, and the book store.

The contractor for the Baptist the buildings will be ready for operation in October.

A new clinic has been opened-Caacupe, Paraguay, where a local hotel owner says two or three ba- where there is almost no Christian hies die every week for lack of work at all."

eled a great distance and remained for a week for the opening of the clinic. He had heard that a doctor was to be there. The new clinic is under the direction of the Baptist Hospital of Ascunsion, which had already opened work in Chacarita.

A three-day spiritual retreat held in Ascunsion in July was attended by 125 Baptist young people. It resulted in a number of life dedica-

Brazil: Sunday school enrolment in all Brazilian Baptist churches is only ten per cent less than the total church membership. More than half the state Baptist conventions of Brazil report a higher Sunday school enrolment than church membership. Total church membership in Brazil is 109,638; Sunday school enrolment is 91,758.

Missionary Lester C. Bell, Presidente Prudente, state of Sao Paulo, Brazil, attended a pastors' retreat at which there were 93 Brazilian pastors. He also attended the annual meeting of the Soracadana Association at Rancharia, where 115 messengers represented every one of the 16 churches. He said one church of ten members sent two messengers "who arose and presented one of the most forwardlooking challenges you ever heard."

The National Brazilian Volley Ball Tournament of 1952 will be held in the gymnasium of the Baptist school, the Ginasio Batista Americano, of Porto Alegre, Rio Grande do Sul, in October.

The covered, outdoor gym, made possible by the Lottie Moon offering, is used for preaching services, graduation exercises, and other school activities. Measuring 60 by 100 feet, it was described by the Brazilian press as the only adequate gym in the state. Permanent bleachers for 3,000 fans, erected by the Confederation of Sports for the tournament, will become property of the institution.

Japan: Dr. A. Hope Owen, memper of the Foreign Mission Board who was sent on a preaching tour to the Orient by First Baptist Church, Plainview, Texas, where he is pastor, spent three days in Takamatsu, Japan. One hundred sixteen people signed cards saying they were accepting Christ as Saviour or that they wanted to become Christians. One hundred four signed cards saying they were interested in studying Christianity. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Emanuel, Southern Baptist missionaries who have recently gone there to work, write: "These contacts will form the poleus for our future work in Takamatsu."

Israel: Missionary Paul Rowden Nazareth, Israel, writes: "Our Baptist school here has promise of at least 350 pupils for next fall. Hospital in Ascunsion promises that Our greatest need in Israel is for more workers. There are modern cities such as Haifa without a single Baptist worker. Ten missionary couples could be placed at once



Pictured above are some of the 103 who were enrolled for the first Vacation Bible School held in the Mount Olive (Negro) Church in Lincoln County. The Pleasant Grove Church conducted the school. The offerings went to missions and to the building program of the Negro church. There were a number of Intermediates and Young People who assisted the pastor, Rev. V. J. Moss, in the school. Barbara Jean Byrd served as principal. Refreshments were served by the Pleasant Grove W. M. U.

## Morning Star In The Afternoon

graduate of Mississippi College and a Th. D. graduate of the Southern Seminary. Another Mississippi Baptist Chaplain in the group mentioned below was Jimmie L. Mullen of Rt. 1, Doddsville. The Morning Star Orphange is operated by Baptists in Korea.) By Chaplain Alvin O. Collins

It began in the dentist's office! We had just returned from a visit to the orphans' home and we were bubbling with the thrills of the afternoon. "Why can't we do something for them?" was the question.

A nurse from Oakland, California . . . an army chaplain's assistant . . . a group of American sailors . . . and sixty-five Korean orphans. They are the characters in my story.

"Lieutenant Valera Vaubel had mentioned in a letter to a friend aboard the USS LOGAN (APA-196) that she was sending some clothes to be given to Korean children. A chaplain has many responsibilities . . . and the clothes were turned over to me. I knew that giving away clothing would be no problem in Inchon, but I wanted to know something of the place where it would go. Then I low under five years of age . . . met Bob Wilson, assistant to the probably nobody knows just how chaplain at the post chapel. Sure, he knew of many needy orphanages . . . Inchon is full of them.

So on Saturday Dr. Bob Johnson (the ship's dentist) and I drove through the market, past bombed- cot. One fellow remarked that out ruins and temporary huts to possibly he had been found crawlthe edge of Inchon. There it was ing around on a flower. The child-"KE SUNG ORPHANAGE - ren tried to tell us their names, but MORNIG SUTAR" the sign said. to us they were "The little Yel-We delivered the clothing, but lowstone Park boy' came back to the ship with a burning desire to do something else. across the front) or "the little praying, an older boy leading, as and that was the topic of conversa- girl in the red skirt" or "the older they thanked God for the candy tion in the dentist's office that day. boy who sang 'Christ Arose'". Why couldn't we do something for them?

Payday was the next week . . .

Editor's Note: Chaplain Collins senting the officers and men of is a Mississippian, of Myrtle, a Commander Transport Division Fifteen and the USS LOGAN, sixteen officers and men made the

> They saw us coming . . . and ran to meet us, sixty-five of the cutest boys and girls on earth. In second-hand and ill-fitting clothes, yes . . . but radiating like the hatta, La., from First, Exeter, Mo. bright Korean sun. The afternoon began with a Korean Version of land, Mo., from First, Fayette, Mo. our "Drop the Handkerchief." Have you ever seen a group of Prison, Jefferson City, Mo., from GI's play "Drop the Handker- New Salem. chief?" This afternoon was a day of fun . . . and the children were umbia, Mo., from First, Butler, Mo. ruling. After the handkerchief had been dropped until we almost had from First, Boyce, La. dropped, the children insisted on Lester Headrick, Fairbanks, our coming inside for a program. Ouachita Parish Association, La, I've been in Vacation Bible from Pine Hill Church, Sicily Ist Schools, youth camps, and the Seminary chapel services in Louisville, but I've never heard people shall, Texas. sing with the enthusiasm that those boys and girls had. We'd taken our seats, and the children had seated themselves on the floor facing us. Solos, trios, duets . . "Silent Night", "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Sweet Hour of Prayer" . . . in Korean, in English. Then "Peanut" (as the sailors nicknamed him, a little felold he is, came forward and directed the group in "Jesus Loves Me." If we could have done it, our fellows would have brought "Peanut" back to the ship as our masfrom White Deer, Texas. ' (his T-shirt said YELLOWSTONE PARK with little heads bowed, they were

of the officers and men presented square. Tears were in some eyel the Eun Sang Yun, the chairman at the door, as I thought of hos we'd give the men opportunity to of the home, the gifts which we much we take for granted. Got help hux some clothing. The help buy some clothing. The men had brought. Then, to each boy forgive us for our ingratitudel gave, clothing was boughty! As and girl, the sailors handed a bar Probably it was a great day for they purchased personal supplies. they purchased personal supplies, of candy. I noticed that upon rethemen would spend their change ceiving the candy, the children experience for a group of United for small items Boxes of supplies! were re-entering the building . . . States sailors, men who had learn clothes soan clothing materials Clothes, soap, clothing material! and the servicemen were so busy ed that it is more blessed to give Then men started coming by my that some of them failed to realize than to receive. The Morning Star office. "Chaplain Collins, how what was happening. Several of us Orphanage! We had intended to about going over to the orphanage slipped over to the door to see help them . . . but they had help with you," they asked. So repre- what was going on inside. There, ed us far more!

#### EXPRESSES GRIEF OVER DODD'S PASSING

Nashville, Tenn.—(BP)—American Baptists through their president expressed their grief over the death of the great Baptist leader, Dr. M. E. Dodd of Shreveport, Louisiana. The letter was from John A. Dawson, president of the American Baptist Convention It is as follows:

"American Baptists across the land join our Southern Baptist brethren in sharing the loss of Dr. M. E. Dodd who so ably served the cause of Jesus Christ and the king. dom enterprise throughout his lifetime.

"As the Southern Baptist Convention sorrows in his passing, we would have them know that our hearts share their sadness, but glory in the fact that he has reached the heaven that he preached about so long."

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By REV. LEON V. YOUNG Clinton, Miss.

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. . . and then each systematically After the program I, on behalf ate his Hershey bar, square by

M. V. Mears, Buckeye, Texas,

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